"Florida, and particularly the 16th district, is one of the largest, most diverse agriculture producing areas in the country, and I look forward to bringing that perspective to the House Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry," Rooney said. "I am honored to serve as Chairman of this subcommittee, which plays a critical role in making sure our country has a safe, affordable and abundant food supply. The agriculture industry is a great economic engine for Florida and the country, and I look forward to leading on these issues."

"Congressman Rooney is a strong advocate for American agriculture and understands how important the industry is to both our state and national economies. I am pleased to have him as a Subcommittee Chairman and look forward to working with him," said Chairman-elect Frank Lucas of Oklahoma.

Rooney's subcommittee has jurisdiction over livestock, dairy, poultry, meat, seafood and seafood products, and the inspection, marketing, and promotion of such commodities. The subcommittee also has jurisdiction over aquaculture, animal welfare, and grazing.

Rooney also serves as a Vice-Chair of the Congressional Dairy Caucus and sits on the Congressional Beef Caucus.

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